REFERENCE OF A MATTER TO THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGE

SHRI VIREN J. SHAH (Maharashtra) Madam, I raise the question of privileg of a Member. In this House we talk to many things concerning the nation as such, not against any individual. But when a situation arises that because of specific matters raised in the House based on a Minister's reply, a private party rings up or writes to discourage, dissuade or intimidate a Member of Parliament, I think it is a matter of grave concern. This is a matter regarding a company called P.J. Pipes & Vessels Limited and its Managing Director Mr. Bharat Vora about whom I raised a matter in the House on 17th March, On 22nd March I received a phone call from Bharat Vora and a letter on 23rd March signed by Bharat Vora which I have submitted to the Chairman with a request for sending this matter to the Privilege Committee. That is the matter I am raising here.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I must inform the Member.... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA (Rajasthan) : Madam, it is a very serious matter.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : .... the Chairman has already accepted it. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (Andhra Pradesh) : It is a very serious matter.

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE (Maharashtra) Madam, *prima facie*, it is a grave and serious matter and so far as we are concerned, we will always stand for the high respect being shown to whatever is being said by the Member of the House. Here, in the Chamber itself, for anyone to challenge, leave alone threaten is a very grievous and a very serious contempt of the House itself and therefore, on the face of it, we support this matter as a matter of which very serious cognisance should be taken. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Please refer it to the Privileges Committee.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Chairman has already referred it to the Privileges Committee and I will take due action on it. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Madam, now that Mr. Viren Shah's privilege motion has been referred to the Privileges Committee, we are all happy. But in the process, may I also suggest that the whole matter should be enquired into, not only in regard to the threat, the issue that he raised which had provoked the private company to threaten him? That should also be enquired into. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: We don't support what he has said.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Whatever matter of privilege is being referred to the Privileges Committee, will be looked into.

SHRI VISHVJIT P. SINGH (Maharashtra): Madam, as the Leader of the Opposition has said just now, he has once again sought to level allegations against another Member. Once again he has done that. (*Interruptions*). The House is united in offereing protection to our good friend, Mr. Viren Shah, who is a Member of this house. But the Leader of the Opposition by saying that the matter should be enquired into, has imputed motives to Mr. Viren Shah and this is highly objectionable. (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let me explain. You didn't understand perhaps. He said, the matter on which he made a special mention, should be looked into. That is not the point. I,as Chairman of the Privileges Committee, would look into the matter of privilege of the Member and the right of a Member to speak in the House.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : (मध्य प्रदेश) सदर साहिबा, मझे दो मिनट दे दीजिए । . . . (**व्यवधान**)

†[شری سکندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ مجھے دو منٹ دیدیجئے . . . (مداخلت) . .

श्री सुरेन्दर जीत सिंह अहलुवालिया (बिहार): उपसभापति महोदया, मैं बिहार विधान सभा की घटना के बारे में सरकार का ध्यान आकर्षित करना चाहता हूं, महोदया, यह गंभीर मामला है. . . (**व्यवधान**)

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, आपने किसको इजाजत दी है ? . . .

†[شری سکندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ آپ کسکو اجازت دی ہے . .]

† [Transiteration in Arabic Script.

उपसभापति : मैंने किसी को इजाजत नहीं दी है । . . .

श्री सुरेन्द्रजीत सिंह अहलुवालिया : महोदया, बिहार विधान सभा का यह गंभीर मामला है । बिहार में जहां पर डैमोक्रेटिकली इलक्टेड मम्बरों को बिना किसी संविधान का आसरा लेते हुए दो कांग्रेस के मैम्बरों और एक बी.जे.पी. के मैंबर को निकाल दिया गया है । यह हमारी डैमोक्रटिक परंपरा पर कुठाराघात है । वहां जगल का राज है । सड़कों पर लोगों को मरवाया जा रहा है । विधान सभा के अदर स्पीकर के माध्यम से विधान सभा के मैंबरों को निष्कासित किया जा रहा है । मैं आपका ध्यान आकर्षित करते हुए सरकार से मांग करता हूं कि तुरंत विधान सभा को भंग किया जाए और उनकी सरकार को तोड़ा जाए क्योंकि उन्होंने . . . (**व्यवधान**)

उपसभापति : आप बैठ जाइए, बैठिए । एक सेकिंड प्लीज । बैठ जाइए । यह मामला स्टेट ऐसबली का है । Let the State Assembly look after that matter. We cannot take it up on the floor of this House. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: We want protection to the Legislators of Bihar Assembly. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Pondicherry): There is no portection in Bihar. . . .

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: We want protection of our legislators in the Bihar Assembly. Madam, they are our voters. They are our voters. . . . (*interruptions*). . .

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह (बिहार) : किसी भी असेम्बली के स्पीकर के बारे में यह बात नहीं कही जा सकती । (**व्यवधान**)

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा मैं महंगाई के बारे में कुछ कहना चाहता हूं हिन्दुस्तान अनगिनत मसाइल के दौर से गुजर रहा है । (**व्यवधान**) महंगाई बेतहाशा बढ़ रही है । आम आदमी का गुजारा बहुत मुश्किल हो गया है । (**व्यवधान**) . . . .

†[شری سکندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ
مہنگائی کے بارے میں کچھ کہنا
چاہتا ہوں - ہندوستان ان گنت
مسائل کے دور سے گزر رہا ہے -
(مداخلت) مہنگائی بے تحاشہ بڑھ
رہی ہے - عام آدمی کا گزارا بہت
مشکل ہو گیا ہے - . . (مداخلت) .]

श्री सुरेन्द्रजीत सिंह अहलुवालिया : आप से गुजारिश करता हूं कि आप वहां की सरकार को डायरेक्ट करें । (**व्यवधान**)

We want protection of our legislators in the Bihar Assembly. (*interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: This matter concerns the State Assembly. . . . (*Interruptions*). . . . Just a minute. Please sit down. . . . (*interruptions*) It is a matter the basis of which we have to find out. I cannot take it up in the House. You referred to it and . . . (*interruptions*). . .

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY (Uttar Pradesh: Madam, I am on a point of order. . . . (*interruptions*) . .

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Madam if same problem is created In the Maharastra Assembly, what will you do . .

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I will look into the record and see what it is what you have said. I don't know really what the problem is. . . (*interruptions*). . . I have a Minister who has to go . . (*interruption*. . and he has to withdraw the Bill . . . (*Interuption*). . . He has to withdraw the Bill. This is the regular business.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, मुझे मौका दिया जाए । मैं एक मिनट में अपनी बात खत्म कर रहा हूं । महंगाई बेतहाशा बढ़ रही है । महंगाई महीनों और दिनों के हिसाब से नहीं घंटों के हिसाब से बढ़ रही है । (**व्यवधान**) गरीब आदमी अपने बजट को, घरेलू बजट को बेलेंस नहीं कर सकता है । (व्यवधान) बेरोजगारी बेतहाशा बढ़ रही है । इस सरकार की तमाम दावेदारियों . . . (**व्यवधान**)

† [ ] Transliteration in Arubic Script.

†[شری سکندر بخت: صدر صاحبہ مجھے موقع دیا جائے - میں ایک منٹ میں اپنی بات ختم کر رہا ہوں - مہنگائی بےتحاشہ بڑھ رہی ہے - مہنگائی مہینوں اور دنوں کے حساب سے نہیں گھنٹوں کے حساب سے بڑھ رہی ہے - (مداخلت) غریب آدمی اپنے بجٹ کو - گھریلو بجٹ کو بیلینس نہیں کر سکتا ہے - (مداخلت) بے روزگاری بے تحاشہ بڑھ رہی ہے - اس سرکار کی تمام ذمہ داریاں ....(مداخلت)..]

उपसभापति : एक मिनट, मैं इनको मैटर से तो चुप करा लूं । आपकी आवाज नहीं सुनाई देती है। (**व्यवधान**)

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, यह कोई बात नहीं हुई । (**व्यवधान**)

†[شری سکندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ- یہ کوئی بات نہیں ہوئی (مداخلت)]

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Ahluwalia, the matter has to be looked into. The Parliamentary Affairs Minister is here. He might look into it and the Government.... (*Interruption*)...I can't say. It is a very peculiar State. I cannot allow it on the floor of the House like this (*Interruption*)...No. Until and unless... (*Interruptions*). Until and unless...(*Interruptions*)....Just a minute. Let me handle it... *Interruptions*)... आप बैठ जाईए

You see it is a matter of a Stae. It is a matter of a State. What has appeared... (*Interruptions*)...Just a minute...(*Interruption*)

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: That is our constituency...(*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Either you handle it or let me handle it. The matter is of the Speaker of the State. We can't allow things about the Speaker of another Assembly be taken over here. Let the Assembly take their kaction what they want. We cannot take it over here...

श्री सुरेन्द्रजीत सिंह अहलुवालिया : कृपया वहां से रिपोर्ट मंगाइए । (**व्यवधान**)

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Madam, I have a point of order on this. I have a point of order on thisissue...(*Interruptions*)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We can't . It is not possible for us to take such matters on the floor of the House because I do not know the correct facts. I cannot permit you to take this...(*Interruptions*)...

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : यह अपनी बात कह चुके हैं और फिर भी यह हाउस का टाइम मुसलसल लेते जा रहे हैं । (**व्यवधान**) इस तरह तमाम टाइम मुसलसल लेते रहने का क्या मतलब है । (**व्यवधान**)

†[شری سکندر بخت : یہ اپنی بات کہہ چکے ہیں اور پھر بھی یہ ہاؤس کا ٹائم مسلسل لیتے جا رہے ہیں - (مداخلت) اس طرح تمام ٹائم مسلسل لیتے رہنے کا کیا مطلب ہے - .. (مداخلت) ....]

श्री सुरेन्दर सिंह अहलुवालिया : यह हाउस के टाइम की बात नहीं है, यह हकों की लडाई है । (**व्यवधान**)

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI GHULAMNABI AZAD): It is within his right because three MLAs have been expelled...(*Interruptions*)...Yes, three MLAs including a BJP MLA...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT: But he has had his say...(*interruptions*)...

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Madam. I have a point of order.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What point of order? There is no discussion on which you can raise a point of order...(*Interruptions*)...There is no discussion.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : हिन्दुस्तान में बढ़ती हुई महंगाई, बढ़ती हुई बेरोजगारी ...(**व्यवधान**) भारतीय जनता पार्टी इस बढ़ती हुई महंगाई और इस बढ़ती हुई बेरोजगारी के बारे में हिन्दुस्तान भर में ... (**व्यवधान**)

†[] Trasliteration of Arabic Script.

†[شری سکندر بخت : ہندوستان میں بڑھتی ہوئی مہنگائی - بڑھتی ہوئی بے روزگاری . . . (مداخلت) . . بھارتیہ جنتا پارٹی - اس بڑھتی ہوئی مہنگائی اور اس بڑھتی ہوئی بے روزگاری کے بارے میں ہندوستان بھر میں . . . (مداخلت) . . .]

उपसभापति : बजट पर डिसकशन हो रही है, उस पर बोलिए । **(व्यवधान)**

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : मैं बोल नहीं रहा हूं । मेरी गुजारिश सुनिए । आज दिल्ली में महंगाई और बेरोजगारी के खिलाफ प्रदर्शन हो रहा है . . . **(व्यवधान)**

†[شری سکندر بخت : میں بول نہیں رہا ہوں- میری گزارش سنئے- آج دلی میں مہنگائی اور بے روزگاری کے خلاف پردرشن ہو رہا ہے - . . . . (مداخلت) . . . .]

SHRI N. K. P. SALVE: (Maharashtra): Madam, this should not go on record.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : भारतीय जनता पार्टी बढ़ती हुई महंगाई और बेरोजगारी की मजम्मत करते हुए अपने आप को हिन्दुस्तान के लोगों की तकलीफों से बावस्तगी जाहिर करती है और सरकार की नीतियों की मजम्मत करते हुए इस हाउस से वाक-आऊट करती है । **(व्यवधान)**

(तत्पश्चात् कुछ माननीय सदस्यों ने सदन त्याग किया)

†[شری سکندر بخت : بھارتیہ جنتا پارٹی بڑھتی ہوئی مہنگائی اور بے روزگاری کی مذمت کرتے ہوئے اپنے آپکو ہندوستان کے لوگوں کی تکلیفوں سے وابستگی ظاہر کرتی ہے اور سرکار کی نیتیوں کی مذمت کرتے ہوئے اس ہاؤس سے واک آؤٹ کرتی ہے - (مداخلت)

(اس کے بعد کچھ معزز ممبران ایوان سے باہر چلے گئے)]

†[] Trasliteration of Arabic Script.

THE PRESS AND REGISTRATION OF BOOKS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1988.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Just a minute. Bill to be withdrawn- The Press and Registration of Books (Amendment) Bill, 1988. Kumari Girija Vyas to move. (*Interruptions*). . .

SHRI JAGESH DESAI : Madam,. .

DR. ABRAR AHMED : Madam...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Mr. Desai, there is some other matter. (*Interruptions*) . .Please, Mr. Abrar Ahmed, Ahmed, keep quiet. (*Interruptions*). . Keep quite (*Interruptions*). . .You please keep quiet. There is another matter before the House. (*Interruptions*). . . Please keep quiet. (*Interruptions*). . .

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): Madam, I beg to move for leave to withdraw the Press and Registration of Books (Amendment) Bill, 1988.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS: I withdraw the Bill.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY : (Uttar Pradesh) Madam, I am on a point of order.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What is your problem?

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Madam, the point is you ruled that. . .(*Interruptions*). . .